



The charming Wildside lodge is situated in a private concession on the doorstep of the game rich Moremi Game Reserve. Tucked away in a grove of mopane trees this sanctuary offers its visitors an unbeatable location close to both land and water-based safari adventures. Enjoy effortless luxury and delicious cuisine at the lodge accompanied by exceptional experiences.

#### LOCATION

Wildside is nestled in a prime location in its own 365 000 hectare concession. The lodge is located on the eastern edge of the Okavango Delta, a renowned World Heritage Site in Botswana. The border of the Moremi Game Reserve lies to the west (about 2 – 3 hours by road), while Chobe National Park is slightly north, and Maun is 1.5 – 2 hours south, by road.

## **GPS Coordinates:**

S 19° 21' 46.38" F 23° 53' 46.43"

## **ACCESS**

By Air: Flights from Maun to the Khwai airstrip take 35 mins. and from Kasane 55 mins. We collect guests from the airstrip for a steady game drive to Wildside, or a direct 2 hour transfer to the lodge. Helicopter transfers are also available and these land less than a kilometer from Wildside. We will gladly book the transfers for guests.

**By Road:** An easy 85 km drive from Maun to Wildside. Drive time is 1.5 - 2 hours. Most of the route is through wilderness areas with opportunities to spot game. Detailed directions are available.

## LUXURY TENTED ROOMS AND SURROUNDINGS

Wildside tented retreat was rebuilt and reopened in 2021.

**Ten elevated**, tented rooms overlook the magnificent, surrounding bush and waterhole. Guests are accommodated in the privacy and comfort of refined safari luxury.

Amenities include: coffee & tea making facilities, bathroom amenities, and a personal safe. All beds have a walk-in mosquito net and an insect repellent spray is available in the rooms.

**Bathroom facilities:** All have en-suite bathrooms with double sinks and one large inside shower. The bathrooms feature contemporary layouts with views of the bush visible from anywhere in your room, so you'll never have to miss a moment. The flush toilet and shower are in separate private sections.

#### **GUEST SPACES**

Hidden amongst mopane trees, the main lodge has an exclusive bar and lounge, two pool areas that are perfect for warm afternoons in camp, soaking up the tranquil quietude of the bush and lounges.

#### **POWER**

Wildside is solar powered. (48 Volts, 10 000 AV, 140 Amp)

# CONNECTIVITY

Wildside has a business lounge with Wi-Fi. Cellular networks coverage is limited.

## **MOBILITY**

Wildside is not suited to travelers that require a wheelchair. For less mobile travelers, we will gladly assist to make the guest's stay as comfortable as possible. Please contact us to discuss the traveler's requirements.

## **MEDICAL**

Wildside is situated in a malaria area. Please seek advice from your doctor or medical practitioner regarding malaria prophylaxis.

#### CHILD POLICY

Wildside welcomes families with children of all ages. Private vehicles must be booked for families with children under the age of 12.

**Note:** There are no fences around Wildside.

**Children's Experiences:** Children's ages will be taken into account and appropriate experiences will be recommended. They could include game drives, nature walks, animal tracking and birding.

#### **EXPERIENCES**

Game Drives (morning and afternoon) – The traditional morning or afternoon excursions into the private concession are led by professional Nature Hosts and trackers, often yielding close encounters with Africa's and our planet's iconic species living in these vast, protected wilderness areas. Guests are encouraged to take along cameras and binoculars for the ultimate game viewing and birding experiences. 2-3 hours

**Birding** – One of the greatest joys of any safari must be birdwatching. Whether going in search of the elusive Pel's fishing owl or watching flocks of queleas take off over grasslands, you will be spoiled for choice as the national parks and reserves we visit in Botswana include wetland, grassland, woodland, savannah, and semi-desert – each one offering a variety of bird species to spot. Approx. 2-3 hours

**Bush Walks** – Viewing any object from a closer perspective reveals a lot more than you originally thought it to be, and the bush is no different! Gain valuable knowledge about the smaller plants, insects and mammals, and enjoy the opportunity of learning to identify animal tracks in a bush walk around the property. (Children 16 years and older) Approx. 2-3 hours

**Nature Walks** – Nature Hosts share their passion for nature in search of the area's smaller natural miracles. Approx 1 hour. (Suitable for the whole family).

Half/Full Day Game Drive to Chobe Corridor – Spend the day with your knowledgeable Nature Host exploring the Chobe Corridor. Stop for a picnic breakfast /lunch in the bush. Half/Full day.

## **OPTIONAL EXTRAS** (at an additional cost):

Full Day Game Drive Moremi, Chobe, Khwai – Game drive into surrounding safari areas such as Moremi, Chobe, Khwai Full day (includes picnic lunch and various park entry fees).

**Boat Trip on Delta** – Experience birdwatching and game viewing from a whole new perspective and enjoy the gentle tranquility of a boat cruise in the Okavango Delta in Botswana, which is our playground. Boat cruises depart from Xakanaxa boat station in Moremi Game Reserve and can be incorporated into full-day trips into the reserve as an added activity, with a return time between 18h00 and 19h00.

**Elephant Havens** is a nonprofit organisation that rescues orphaned elephants. Learn about their amazing work with the communities and in conservation and get to know the elephants in their care. This experience is offered with a helicopter transfer. For rates and options to include this experience together with a road transfer to Wildside, please contact reservations for rates. Approx. 3 hours.

**Spa & Wellness** – Enjoy rejuvenating and re-energising treatments in Spa.

Heli Flights are a great way to experience the wilds of Africa. Take a bird's eye view to spot big game and take in the scenery. Contact us to learn about the many different options.

## **SEASONS**

**Dry Season:** May to September, also our cooler months **Rainy Season:** December to March, our summer season

Floods: The Delta is in flood from June - October